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THE EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT CONTRACTING FOR PRIVATE PROCUREMENT OF WTDR INFORMAION IN SAUDI ARABIA IS NOT POSSIBLE AND WILL NOT BE FOR SOME TIME. THERE IS NO PRIVATE FIRM AVAILABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THE TASK. FIRMS SUCH AS PRICE-WATERHOUSE, WHINNEY MURRAY AND OTHERS HAVE NO TIME TO TAKE ON TASK DUE TO PRESSURES OF OTHER BUSINESS.IN ADDITION, THE EXTREME SENSITIVITY OF LOCAL MERCHANTS ABOUT THEIR BUSINESS OPER-ATIONS WOULD NOT PERMIT PRIVATE CONTRACTING OF WTDRS. SENSITIVITY AND DESIRE FOR CONFIENTIALITY IS SUCH THAT EMBASSY'S COMMERCIAL SECTION CAN PROVIDE NO COPIES TO VISITING U.S. BUSINESSMEN WHO USUALLY CAN ONLY STUDY THE REPORT IN THE COMMERCIAL CENTER. ANY PRACTICE OF OTHER THAN THAT CURRENTLY USED WOULD RESULT IN DRYING UP OF ALL INFORMATION SOURCES WHICH WOULD ADVERSELY AFFECT PROGRAM. WEST

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